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Docket. No.: 1716869**ATTACHED:****RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION in U.S. Pat. App. Ser. No. 10/549,878**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Greetings:

The following is filed in timely response to the non-final Office Action mailed on November 18, 2008, wherein the Examiner:

1. Rejected Claim 21 under Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Lupfer, U.S. Pat. No. 3,264,709.
2. Rejected Claim 1 under Section 103(a) as unpatentable over Lupfer in view of Aota et al., Japanese Pat. Pub. No. 2003-126972.

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3. Found Claims 2-20 allowable if rewritten to be independent of any rejected base claims and intervening claims.

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.